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HOUSE MEMORIAL 25

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2010

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 9, 2010 AS "4-H AND FFA DAY" AT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, 4-H and FFA have been premier youth leadership organizations in New Mexico for more than eighty years; and

WHEREAS, 4-H and FFA sponsor chapters and clubs in rural and urban areas throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, more than ninety thousand youth between the ages of five and twenty-one years old participate in 4-H and FFA youth development programs statewide; and

WHEREAS, 4-H and FFA youth development programs are diverse and help participants acquire important life skills, including leadership, responsible citizenship, critical thinking, problem-solving, decision-making, conflict resolution and communication skills, that directly contribute to the

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1 successful transition of young people into productive adults;
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3 WHEREAS, 4-H and FFA participants report having greater
4 confidence and a more positive self-identity, stating that they
5 have greater control over events in their lives and a better
6 ability to make decisions on their own, that they set goals and
7 take responsibility for their actions, that they can take pride
8 in many things and that their lives have purpose and meaning;

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
10 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that, in recognition
11 of the contributions of 4-H and FFA to the state, February 9,
12 2010 be declared "4-H and FFA Day" at the house of
13 representatives; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
15 transmitted to New Mexico state university's 4-H and FFA youth
16 development organizations.